

PTA Activities

Council

At the February Founders Day meeting of the Torrance Council PTA, two outstanding personages in the Torrance District were named as the recipients of the honorary life membership, Dr. Howard Wood for his lifelong dedication to the mental and physical development of children and Mrs. Eleanor Ruffe for her constant devotion to PTA and church work.

The money paid for these life memberships goes into a fund for PTA scholarships and fellowships for future teachers, nurses, or other child workers. Usually each unit also gives a life membership award to one of their outstanding members.

On March 16, a dinner honoring all of the past and present holders of the life memberships in PTA will be given by the council, under the chairmanship of Mrs. A. MacKenzie.

Added to this surprise announcement, was the program dedicated to the recognition of the past presidents of Torrance Council. "Notations were made about the outstanding events of each president's term and were read from a booklet "A Chronology of Events" which was prepared by Mrs. Duane Sherwood. The past presidents of the Council are: Mmes. W. E. Bowen, A. C. Turner, A. B. Cowie, Victor Benard, and Hartley Carr.

A touch of melody was given to the meeting with a vocal duet by Lloyd Jones, principal at Seaside School, and Mrs. Marilyn Niska, who is a teacher. They were accompanied by Mrs. L. Warf.

An informal gathering started at 9:00 when coffee and doughnuts were served. Election of officers was also held prior to the program.

Mrs. W. A. Wright was again elected president of the Torrance Council. Her first, second, third, and fourth vice presidents will be respectively, Mmes. E. C. Ingram, R. Payne, R. Moffitt, and R. Murphy. Mrs. Dana Houston was re-elected as recording secretary. Mrs. Lee Pollock will be the new corresponding secretary. Mrs. J. O. Kasper was elected to serve as financial secretary. Another incumbent retaining office is Mrs. William Steinwachs who is the treasurer of the group.

Mrs. C. S. Connors will be the auditor for next year, and Mrs. William Crook will be the historian.

Mrs. Wright will later announce the committee chairman who will assist her in the various chairmanships.

Madrona

"The Heart of the Matter" was the topic at the Founders Day meeting of the Madrona PTA Feb. 16.

Mrs. Maurice Hattum, program chairman, introduced Mrs. Barbara Hardingham, who showed the film "Preface to a Life." Since the 45th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America is being celebrated, the Cub Scouts Pack 201-C presented the flag and led the salute.

Named to the nominating committee were Mmes. Ruth Janssk, Beverly Dyer, Jean Fedoruk, Helen Lowry and Betty Hayes. They will present the slate of new officers at the next meeting.

In observance of Founders Day, Mrs. Beverly Dyer was presented with the PTA's life membership. She is a den mother for Den 2, Pack 201-C, public chairwoman for the PTA Council and parliamentarian for the Madrona PTA, of which she is also a past president. Mrs. Dyer is also active in the Christian Church and attended Long Beach State College and is studying music at El Camino College. She is the mother of two sons and a daughter.

Two decorated cakes, one bearing "Honorary Life Beverly Dyer," and the other "Founders Day," were baked by Mrs. Michael Gupta of 217 Febair. Mrs. Ray Ottosen announced a coffee klatch to be held in her home Wednesday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m., proceeds to go to the mobile library. Room prizes were won by Mrs. Lucille Simon and John Lyman.



WILL YOU PLEASE BUY SOME COOKIES? . . . is frequently heard these days throughout the Torrance area as local Girl Scouts go all out in their annual cookie sale to raise money for their campsite. Pictured at the left, are



girls of Troop 532 opening the sale with Mrs. Paul Anderson purchasing cookies from her daughter, Carol, as Pamela Marleau, Cheryl Ricks, Wendy Marleau and troop leader, Mrs. William Marleau look on. Unloading cookies at a local

market are girls of Troop 416 with their leader, Mrs. E. M. Dilkus. Girls are Anita Blischoff, Joann Portlock, Rita Bacon, Paula Blankenship and Geraldine Dilkus.

Narbonne

At the February meeting of Narbonne High PTA, Pat Turner, boys' vice principal, was the recipient of an honorary life membership. This high honor was given to Mr. Turner for his work with boys and girls at the high school, devotion to their problems regardless of time and energy, and his active membership in local service groups. Mrs. Frank Allen, honorary life membership chairman, made the presentation.

Past presidents were introduced and presented with a gift by Mrs. H. A. Jollensten, Founder's Day chairman. Attending were Mmes. O. W. Schatz, W. C. Murray, W. H. Nansel, Minot Rugg, Harry Kempfer, Don Wolf, and E. M. Bernardin, 1953-1955 president.

Mrs. Jollensten then presented the program of music under the direction of Miss Alice Sturdy. Phyllis Hazelbaker and Bruce Wenger sang several vocal solos accompanied by Dennis Hudson. Speech students Christine Friel and Eugene Minor directed by Stanley Johnson, English instructor, gave speeches on "Founding of the PTA" and "Present Day PTA."

Earl Barnett, principal, spoke to the association members on the coming school bond issue in April, stressing the importance of a favorable vote.

A nominating committee of Mmes. C. C. De Vore, J. O. Blackman, O. C. Grubb, and Joseph Chudy was chosen. They will present their panel of today cake were served following the business meeting.

Seaside

Regular meeting of Seaside PTA was held Thursday evening, Feb. 10, in the auditorium of the school at 7:30 p.m. Los Cancioneros provided the musical part of the program.

Founders Day was observed at this meeting and life memberships were made to Robert Fulton and William Morris. Mr. Fulton is head custodian at Seaside School and was named because of interest he has shown in all school activities as well as the children of the school. He has been at Seaside School since it was founded.

William Morris was awarded the life membership in recognition of his work with the Scouts.

Past presidents were honored and were given corsages. The nominating committee was elected and Mrs. J. D. Rolfe was elected chairman. Her committee will be Mmes. John O'Rourke, James Walker, Mrs. L. Priestly and Clayton Hirtle.

Seaside

G-W Council

Preparatory to the Tenth District evaluation of parent-teacher publicity books early in April, a final workshop for unit publicity and record book chairmen of the Gardena-Wilmington Council PTA was held recently at the Gardena Community Center, 1651 Market St., Gardena.

Conducted by Mrs. Carl Manson, council publicity chairman, the conference included a presentation of detailed instructions for compiling material in the publicity book, directed by Mrs. Harry Peterson, council record book chairman. Supplementing the record book instructions were publicity photographs, presented by Mrs. Robert Buck, council photographer, and method of obtaining clippings by Mrs. B. J. Coltrane, council clippings chairman.

Representing their local PTA units were the following: Mmes. C. Beckwith, Amestoy; F. Flynn, Roy Carter, James Lutten, Carson St.; Hugh Bennett, J. Kenney, Catskill Ave.; G. Barlup, W. Paxton, J. Patterson, J. Rossi, Chapman Ave.; F. A. Vincent, Del Amo; V. Bruce, R. Garst, F. Hamilton, Denker Ave.; Clifford Sma; Dolores St.; R. Kissick, W. Engvalson, A. M. Kachick, Dominguez; R. Buck, H. Peterson, Fries Ave.; N. Glusac, L. Moody, H. McEwen, Gulf Ave.; G. Olson, B. Doman, 135th St.; H. Andow, R. Crowell, 156th St.; A. B. Pond, B. H. Cottrane, 186th St.; and Robert Elliott, Wilmington Park.

G-W Council

259th Place

PTA of the 259th Pl. School will hold a waffle breakfast from 9 until 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 2 at the home of Mrs. Don Bowling, 26200 Governor Ave. in Harbor City. There will also be a door prize.

MALARIA TOLL

About 750,000 persons die of malaria each year in India.

Attend Confab

Home from Santa Barbara where they attended the mid-winter conference of Moose Women are Joyce Clay, senior regent, Marguerite Baudin, treasurer, Dorothy Smith, junior regent and Frances Smith, co-worker. As a diversion while attending the conference, representing chapter 44, the women were taken on a sightseeing

Evelyn Carr

At the Feb. 15 meeting of its unit, the Evelyn Carr Elementary PTA awarded its first Honorary Life Membership to Mrs. T. E. Kelly. In making the award, Mrs. W. B. Jackson, Honorary Life Membership chairman, praised Mrs. Kelly for her many years of service to PTA; for helping to organize the new Carr PTA Unit; and for services to Boy and Girl Scout groups and to her church. Mrs. Jackson also introduced members of the audience who were wearers of the Honorary Life Membership Pin. They were: Mrs. William Sale, Donald Duncan, Mrs. Robert Payne, Mrs. Evelyn Carr, and Mrs. Richard McDonald.

Honored speaker at this Founder's Day meeting was Mrs. Evelyn Carr, who gave a very inspiring talk on the services a PTA unit renders to the school and community.

Donald Duncan, principal of the Carr school, introduced two new teachers to the group. They were, Miss JoAnne Johnson, second grade teacher and Richard Reynolds, fourth and fifth grade teacher.

Mrs. T. E. Kelly, historian, announced that the Carr PTA Unit was now old enough to have some history and she introduced her teenage son, Robert Kelly, who gave a humorous recital of the unit's history.

Frank Forve, program chairman, introduced four singers from El Camino College, Mary Lynn Phillips, Frank Ruiz, Kate Pearl and Robert Hill. They entertained the group with American folk songs and selections from the "Merry Widow." They were accompanied on the piano by Miss Kay Haga. Highlight of the evening was entertainment supplied by four teachers of the Carr school, Mrs. L. McKelvy, Mrs. G. Marchanti, Mrs. L. Willis and Mrs. M. Steele, wearing huge, flower-covered hats. Mmes. McKelvy, Marchanti and Willis sang a humorous ditty about PTA workers, complete with melodramatic gestures and grimaces. Accompanying them on the piano was Mrs. M. Steele. "The teachers brought the house down," and the PTA Unit will definitely book them for a return engagement," said Mr. Forve, program chairman.

Hostesses for the social hour were the Third Grade Room Mothers who baked one huge beautifully decorated Founder's Day cake.

Crenshaw

A meeting of all PTA presidents, school principals and the superintendent of the schools of Torrance will be held March 2 at the Crenshaw Elementary school. Refreshments will be served by members of the board and committee chairmen.

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